

Amendment of Motor Vehicles Act

4531. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Motor Vehicles Act has been amended for implementing the decision to introduce LPG as auto fuel using replaceable cylinders to reduce pollution; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when it is likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) and (b) The Motor Vehicles Act has been amended in August, 2000 to allow use of LPG for automotive purposes. Detailed guidelines about use of LPG are expected to be notified shortly. No decision has yet been taken regarding use of replaceable LPG gas cylinders.

Overbridges at Railway crossings on NH-5 between Visakhapatnam and Vijayawada

4532. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accorded necessary sanction for two road overbridges at railway crossings on the National Highways-5 between Visakhapatnam for ensuring uninterrupted flow of traffic between Madras and Calcutta;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, by when a final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) Two road over bridges on Eluru bypass falling on Visakhapatnam-Vijayawada Section of National Highway-5 have already been constructed. In addition 3 more are sanctioned.